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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR'S MEETING WITH DENKTASH: MISSING PERSONS

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- 1. DURING MY JULY 13 MEETING WITH DENKTASH REPORTED REF B, I DID TAKE UP WITH HIM QUESTION OF GREEK CYPRIOTS AND OTHERS REPORTED MISSING SINCE 1974 HOSTILITIES. I SAID I WAS DOING SO ON INSTRUCTION. I ASKED WHETHER HIS SIDE WOULD NOW BE PREPARED TO APPROVE ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT INVESTIGATORY COMMISSION.
- 2. DENKTASH SAID YES, PROVIDED TWO CONDITIONS WERE MET. FIRST, MAKARIOS WOULD HAVE TO MAKE PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGMENT BEFOREHAND THAT GREEK CYPRIOTS HAD TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEATHS OF 800 TURKS KILLED SINCE INDEPENDENCE: 300 DURING THE DISTURBANCES OF 1963-64 AND 500 MASSACRED DURING THE 1974 COUP AND TURKISH INTERVENTION. SECONDLY, THE GREEK SIDE HAD TO ACCEPT THAT TURKISH CYPRIOT PARTICIPATION WOULD BE BY THE TURKISH CYPRIOT RED CRESCENT SOCIETY. DENKTASH EXPLAINED THE TFSC POSITION THAT RED CRESCENT IS EXACT EQUIVALENT TO RED CROSS ON THE GREEK SIDE. TFSC DOES NOT RECOGNIZE CYPRUS RED CROSS BASED IN GREEK SECTOR AS HAVING ANY CONFIDENTIAL.

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FUNCTION IN NORTHERN CYPRUS.

3. COMMENT: DENKTASH'S FIRST CONDITION OF A MEA CULPA FROM MAKARIOS SEEMS HIGHLY UNLIKELY TO BE ACCEPTABLE. THE UN HAS BEEN THE CENTER OF THIS ISSUE. I WILL BE SEEING DE CUELLAR LATER TO-DAY, JULY 15, AND WILL ASK ABOUT HIS PLANS TO TRY TO MOVE THIS FORWARD.

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